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Amendment dated 01/30/2006

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**REMARKS**

Claims 1-20 have been allowed and prosecution of the application has been closed under the practice in *Ex Parte Quayle*. The foregoing separate sheets marked as "Listing of Claims" shows all the claims in the application, as allowed.

Pursuant to the Examiner's suggestion, applicant has reviewed the application for errors in the specification. To correct minor errors in grammar and syntax, the paragraphs beginning at page 2, line 1; page 3, line 1; page 5, line 9; page 9, line 5; and page 21, line 9, have been amended.

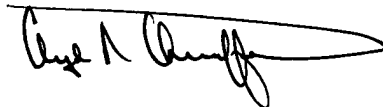
In view of the foregoing, it is requested that the amendments to the specification be entered and that the application be passed to issue.

Should the Examiner find the application as amended to be other than in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned at 703-787-9400 (fax: 703-787-7557; email: clyde@wcc-ip.com) to discuss any other changes deemed necessary in a telephonic or personal interview.

The Quayle action does not indicate the status of the formal drawings submitted on February 25, 2004. It is requested that the Examiner indicate approval of the drawings in the next action in this case.

If an extension of time is required for this response to be considered as being timely filed, a conditional petition is hereby made for such extension of time. Please charge any deficiencies in fees and credit any overpayment of fees to Deposit Account 50-0510 (IBM-Yorktown).

Respectfully submitted,



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